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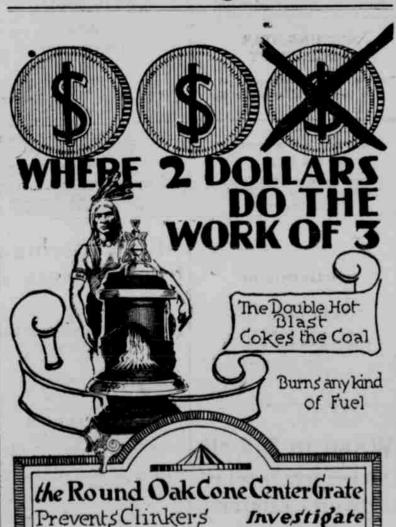
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The American Legion is experiencing a rapid growth, and has just passed the 8,000 mark in the number of posts established. Recent reports showed New York in the lead with 851 posts; Pennsylvania, second, with 522 posts; Illinois third, 494 posts; 1 owa, 7; Minnesota, 409; Ohio, 357; Michigan, 256; Indiana, 247; Massa chusetts, 245; New Jersey, 244.

Franklin D'Olier, National Command er, One of the Twenty Men to Found Organization.

Franklin D'Olier, national command-

er of the American Legion, was born April 28, 1877, in Burlington, N. J., where he attended local school and prepared for

Princeton university. He was gradnated from Prince ton in 1898, and immediately entered business with his father. William D'Olier &

merchants in cotton and yarns, in Philadelphia. Upon his father's retirement from business, the firm name was changed to Franklin D'Oller &

Mr. D'Oller entered the military service of the United States in April, 1917, as a captain in the quartermaster corps. After a few weeks' service at the Philadelphia depot and several months at Boston he was ordered to France in August, 1917. Owing to great searcity of tonunge at that time and the necessity for salving unterlal on a large scale, Mr. D'Olier was assigned to the newly organized sulvage service, and in January, 1918, took command of the first salvage depot that was operated by the American army. Within six months the work had grown so rapidly that the personnel increased from 12 to 6,000, and this depot was salvaging for about 750,000 men, and was larger than any depot operated by either the British or French armies. This depot was at St. Pierre des Corps pear Tours. France, the headquarters of the service of supply.

in July, 1918, Captain D'Olier was ordered to Lyons, France, to organize the second large depot, which at the time of the armistice had a capacity of taking care of salvaging for upward of a million and a half men. He was premoted to the rank of major, and 1919. then Heutenant colonel, and assigned to the general staff, and after two years' service in the army, 20 months of which was in the A. E. F., was discharged from the service in

Mr. D'Oller was one of the original 20 men who initiated the American Legion in France, February 15, 1919, and attended the Paris caucus of the American Legion on March 15, 1919. After his discharge from the service Mr. D'Otter joined Theodore Roosevelt. who was at that time-early in 1919perfecting the preliminary organization of the American Legion in the United States preparatory to the St. Louis caucus, May 8, 9 and 10.

Mr. D'Oller was chairman of the Pennsylvania delegation at the St. Louis caucus and a member of the national executive committee from Pennsylvania. After the St. Louis cancus he was placed in charge of the state organization division at national headquarters, New York city, and gave his entire time without any remuneration whatsoever to American Legion work

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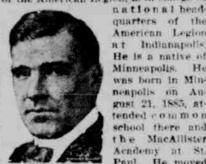
Mr. D'Olier's work for the Legion has been to co-operate with and coordinate the work of the state organ tzations of the Legion and to direct the preparations for the Minneapolis convention.

For his work in France Mr. O'Otter received a Distinguished Service Medal from the United States government and the Legion of Honor from the French government.

IN CHARGE OF HEADQUARTERS

National Adjutant, Man From State of Washington, Has Seen Much Military Service.

Lemuel L. Rolles, national adjutant the American Legion, is in charge of national head-



American Legior at Indianapolis He is a native of Minneapolis. He was born in Min neapolis on Au gust 21, 1885, attended common school there and he MacAllister Academy at St Paul. He moved

to Washington in 1904 and graduated from the University of Washington Law school. From 1907 to 1915 he was em ployed by the First National bank of North Yakima, and was assistant ad justant general of the state of Wash Ington from June, 1916; to September

Company E. 2nd infantry, of the Washington National Guard from Septem ber, 1904, to 1914, and commanded that company from 1911 to 1914. He was called into federal service with the Washington National Guard in Sep. tember, 1917, and joined the 41st division at Camp Greene, N. C. with which division he went overseas in Decem ber, 1917, and served as a fleatenant colonel on the general staff of the First corps from May 1, 1918, to March 3

On his return to the United States in July, 1919, he was discharged from the service, and was requested by the national executive committee to assist in the organization of the American Legion in the preparation for the Min neapolts convention on the staff at an tional headquarters. Mr. Bolles was one of the original delegates to the Paris caucus of the American Legion Inst March.

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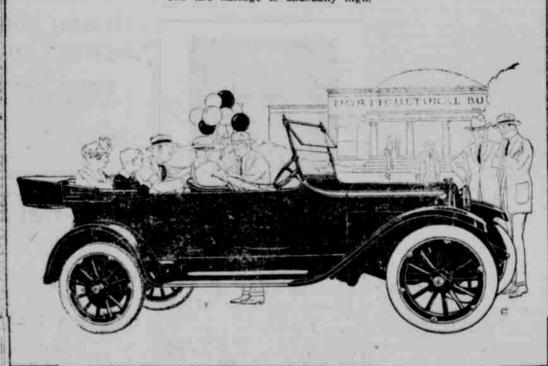
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